9425 Whittaker Rd
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
734-461-6555
www.sjypsi.com

PASTOR
Rev. Pieter vanRooyen
pastor@sjypsi.com

DEACONS
Director of Liturgy & Pastoral Ministry
Deacon Gary Perrydore
dcngary@sjypsi.com

Deacon Larry Gjernes
dcnlarry@sjypsi.com

PARISH STAFF

Business Manager & Cemetery Manager:
Nathan Everts
neverts@sjypsi.com

Parish Life Coordinator:
Margie Sauter
margies@sjypsi.com

Bookkeeper:
Maureen Crandall
maureenc@sjypsi.com

Director of Liturgical Music:
Adam Pace
adamp@sjypsi.com

Director of Religious Education & Saint Joseph Classical:
Anna Nowaczewski • annan@sjypsi.com
Laura Foutch • laura@sjypsi.com

Youth Discipleship
Kelsey Ostrowski
kelsey@sjypsi.com

Facilities Maintenance:
cleaning@sjypsi.com

Tom Derry

Trail Life:
Rich Zmijewski • traillife@sjypsi.com

American Heritage Girls:
Gina Zmijewski • ahg@sjypsi.com

Knights of Columbus:
kofc@sjypsi.com

Office: office@sjypsi.com

Bulletin Submissions:
bulletin@sjypsi.com

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Then the devil took Jesus up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." - Mt 4:8-9

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

February 22, 2026

©LPi

Mass Times

Wednesday 9:30 am
Sunday 9:00 am,
11:00 am & 5:00 pm

Adoration

Sunday 3:00 pm-4:45 pm
Tuesday 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
Wednesday 3:00 pm-7:30 pm

Confession

Sunday 3:00 pm-4:45 pm

Church open for prayer

Monday-Friday 9 am-12 pm

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9 am-12 pm
Fridays by appointment

Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 22
9:00 am: For the intentions of our Parish Family
11:00 am: For the sick req. by Theresa Okpala
5:00 pm: For the souls in purgatory req. by Tom Korte

Wednesday, February 25
9:30 am: For the repose of the soul of Deacon Peter Anthony Gudaitis

Thursday, February 26
(Prv): For Prophet Ebuka Obi req. by Caroline Okoye

Friday, February 27
(Prv): For the repose of the soul of Prof. J.B.E. Awachie req. by Caroline Okoye

Sunday, March 1
9:00 am: For the repose of the soul of Anthony Szyndlar req. by Pete and Anne Ostrowski
11:00 am: For the intentions of our Parish Family
5:00 pm: For the repose of the souls of David and Terry Sabo eq. by the Zmijewski Family

Our Weekly Offering

February 15, 2026

Budget: $7,290
Cash and Checks: $3,390
# of envelopes used: 43
Online Giving: $2,860
Total Offering: $6,250

God bless you and thank you for your generosity!

St. Joseph Need-Based Catholic Education Scholarship Applications

Need-based scholarships are now available. Complete your application by April 15, 2026. For more information visit sjypsi.com/scholarships.

Soup and Stations Fridays of Lent

Soup served in Maria Hall @ 6 pm

Stations of the Cross @ 7 pm

Soup donations are needed! Contact Maria Lehto to volunteer: marialehto@att.net

Expecting a Baby?

We love little ones at St. Joe's! If your family is expecting a new baby, or you know a parishioner who is, we want to support your family as you welcome your little one home.

Please contact Elizabeth Guza at Mattandliz514@gmail.com to set up a meal train which you can share with friends and family. It will also go out to our parish email list.

St. Joseph Lenten Retreat

To the Cross with Jesus
Saturday, February 28, 2026
8:30 am to 1:00 pm
Maria Hall

Join us for our parish Lenten Retreat: To the Cross with Jesus Presenters from the Catholic Biblical School will teach on Jesus' suffering and death, revealing how Jesus loved us to the end.

Discover Jesus' victory on the cross as a cause for joy and hope in your daily life.

Register: cbsmich.org/stjoseph

St. Joseph Classical (SJC) Homeschool Program (Atrium I & Grades 1-8) Open House Dates

All interested families are invited to attend one of several Open House days. Come and see what we are all about! Ask questions and experience the classroom experience first-hand.

Available Wednesday dates are:
February 25, March 4, March 18 & March 25
Contact Anna Nowaczewski, SJC Director to register at annan@sjypsi.com.

From Father Pieter

Greetings! This Sunday we begin our journey to Easter considering sin and salvation. We see Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden and Jesus in the desert. Where Adam sinned by disobeying God, Jesus loved and obeyed God the Father even to the point of death on the cross. Adam's sin brought death, but Jesus' loving obedience brings us eternal life. Come to Mass this Sunday and receive Jesus' love for you, and offer your life to Him in return.

Let's pray that our fasting, prayer, and almsgiving this Lent help us love Jesus and listen to His Spirit so that we might experience more fully the joy and "freedom of the sons of God."

What's Happening at St. Joseph?

Fridays of Lent: Soup and Stations! Come on Fridays for soup (and fellowship) followed by praying the way of the cross together.

Saturday, Feb. 28th: Lenten retreat day at our parish! I hope you can come to our retreat day! Prepare your heart for Easter by considering Jesus' love for you in His sacrifice.

DMI: Disciple Maker Index survey: Please take a moment (10 minutes) to fill out this survey online! It will help us (and the Diocese) get a sense of what God is doing at our parish. Thank you!

RECONCILIATION TIMES

Every Sunday 3 to 4:45 pm at St. Joseph

Confession with extra confessors is available during Lent!

Saturday, February 28 @ 9:40 am at Christ the King

Saturday, March 7 @ 9 am at St. John the Baptist

Sunday, March 8 @ 3 pm at St. Joseph

Needed: Silent Auction Donations

Benefitting Holy Family Center Kitchen Appliances

- **Gift Cards** to local restaurants and stores valued $25 to $100
- **Gift Baskets** fully assembled, minimum value of $100

Contact Mary Ann Blaszak to donate: mablaszak@yahoo.com

Auction will take place at **Spring Fling April 18**

Spring Fling! Fun Fundraiser

April 18, 2026 @ 6 pm

Registration Required
Childcare Available
Suggested Donation: $15 per person or $25 per couple

Auction proceeds will be used to purchase new appliances for the Holy Family Center Kitchen

Dinner—Drinks—Dancing–Auction—Fellowship

Register Here: SCAN HERE

Disciple Maker Index (DMI) Survey

This 10-15 survey will allow our parish to **assess our greatest strengths and opportunities**. The DMI is an important survey tool that invites you to reflect on your discipleship journey here at St. Joseph. The link to take the survey is available at our website: sjypsi.com and will be included in the bulletin next week!

DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX

David C. Brown Funeral Home
460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville
Shelly Brown-Chudzinski, Owner
Jacqueline J. Dalzell, Director
Call us to discuss Pre-Plan Payment Options
Holiday Remembrance Ceremonies
734-697-4500 • DavidCBrownFH.com

It's Time For Your Septic Maintenance!!!
JIM KOVALAK EXCAVATING & SEPTIC TANK CLEANING, INC.
EMERGENCY SERVICE
Full Excavating Services
Certified Well & Septic Inspections
734-461-6838 • 800-566-6626
www.kovalakseptictservice.com

STARK FUNERAL PROFESSIONALS, INC.
101 South Washington Street
Ypsilanti, Michigan
www.starkfuneral.com
734-482-4900

Pat Walters & Sons
HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING SPECIALISTS
734-483-5811

2900 Washtenaw
Ypsilanti
8am-7pm Mon-Sat
Sun 11am-3pm
734-434-2700
Norton's FLOWERS & GIFTS Est. 1892
All Occasions
Flowers - Plants - Cards
Religious & Inspirational Gifts
Local & Worldwide Delivery
www.nortonsflowers.com

Welcome Homes
For where you live
Leanne Wade, GRI
Award - Winning Associate Broker
C: 734.686.2086
O: 734.741.5535
Leanne@WelcomeHomes.com
MyWelcomeHomes.com
Howard Hanna
1898 W. Stadium • A²

MITZEL LAW GROUP PLC
DENNIS MITZEL • RICHARD ZMIJEWSKI • AMY MORRISSEY • TESA FLEMING
PAUL SCHULTZ • THERESA URBANIC • ROBERT CELLA
Wills, Trusts, Probate, Real Estate, Tax, Charitable & Business Needs
1590 Eisenhower Place • Ann Arbor
734-668-4100 • www.mitzellaw.com

GEI GAINSLEY ELECTRIC INC.
We'll Keep Your Lights On!
4571 Washtenaw Ave., Ste. A, Ann Arbor, MI 48108
734-434-9087
gainsleyelectric.com
EMERGENCY AFTER HOURS: 734-368-8588
BILL GAINSLEY, MASTER ELECTRICIAN
LICENSE # 6106500

Huron Valley Catholic School
Pre-K through 8th grade
1300 N. Prospect Rd., Ypsilanti, MI 48198
Phone (734) 483-0366 • Fax (734) 483-0372
Website: www.huronvalleycatholicschool.org

WE APPRECIATE OUR ADVERTISERS!

Place Your Ad Here and Support our Parish!
Instantly create and purchase an ad with
AD CREATOR STUDIO
4lpi.com/adcreator

JMJ Residential Construction, LLC
SINCE 2006
• Additions • Kitchens
• Basements • Baths
• Decks • Porches
• Pergolas • & More!
(734) 931-0376 • JMJResidential.com

LET'S GROW YOUR BUSINESS
Place Your Ad Here and Support Our Parish!
CONTACT ME Craig Davis
cdavis@4LPi.com • (800) 477-4574 x6259

INDOOR COMFORT
HEATING • COOLING • GENERATORS
"Our Name is Your Guarantee"
Proudly serving Ypsilanti and the surrounding communities since 1951.
(734) 996-7427
www.indoorcomfort.net

An innovative approach to assisted living and memory care!
Vibrant Life Senior Living
Call to schedule a visit to our new community
(734) 484-4740
VibrantLifeSeniorLiving.com
8100 Geddes Road
Superior Township

HALEY MECHANICAL
734.412.8310
haleymechanical.com
HEATING
COOLING
PLUMBING
ELECTRICAL
$25.00 OFF

Thinking of Selling Your Home?
Protecting your private property rights since 1987.
John & Maureen
Your Real Estate Pros
(248) 318-8363
johnEmerson@KW.com
KW PROFESSIONALS KELLERWILLIAMS

ADT-Monitored Home Security
Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust
• Burglary • Flood Detection
• Fire Safety • Carbon Monoxide
ADT Authorized Provider | SafeStreets
833-287-3502